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In re Patent Application of:

Mary FARIS, et al.

Application No.: 09/809,638

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For: 125P5C8: A TISSUE SPECIFIC
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Art Unit: 1642

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UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.131**

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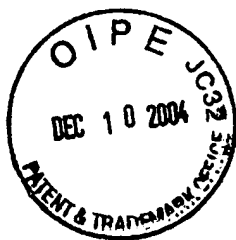
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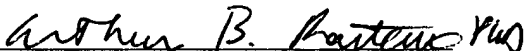
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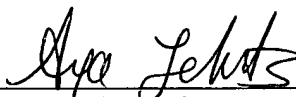
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